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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 8-84126, which was published on March 26, 1996, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 11-136649, which was published on May 21, 1999, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 831 606, which was published on August 26, 1997; and

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-276145, which was published on October 13, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same.


The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the Japanese Examiner, are set forth in the International Search Report.

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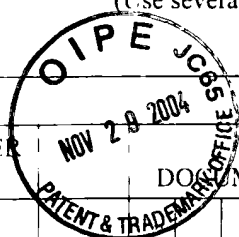

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